

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY, April 8—6 P. M.

The gold market has been somewhat firmer to day than it was yesterday, but the speculative feeling continues tame, in view of the expected surrender or destruction of Lee's Army. The quotations were:

10:30 A. M. 150 2.00 P. M. 148 1/2
12:10 P. M. 149 1/2 4:45 P. M. 148 1/2

The shipment of gold and specie amounted to \$302,200, of which the steamer America took \$288,401 and the city of Manchester \$14,800, making for the week \$400,735.

The stock market reacted slightly this morning on the green, and at the first board quotations were in some instances lower, with a downward tendency under sale, many being unwilling to hold stocks over Sunday. Gold showed a decline from the closing price of yesterday's second board of 1/2¢, Michigan Southern 1/2¢, Cleveland and Pittsburg 1/2¢, Rock Island 1/2¢, Reading 1/2¢, Illinois Central 1/2¢, Cumberland 1/2¢, Government securities were quiet. Coupon five-twenty declined 1/2¢, ten-twenty were steady.

After the call the market was dull, and at the open board at one o'clock Erie was 1/2 lower, Hudson river 1/2¢, Michigan Southern 1/2¢, Northwestern 1/2¢, Cleveland and Pittsburg 1/2¢, Illinois Central advanced 1/2¢, Reading 1/2¢, Cumberland 1/2¢.

Afterwards the street market weakened under further sales to realize, but it subsequently recovered part of the decline. At the close Erie was quoted at \$31, New York Central 97 1/2, Reading 102 1/2, Cleveland and Pittsburg 65, Fort Wayne 90, Michigan Southern 80¢.

A few holdovers have been induced to sell out, under the apprehension that we shall have a close money market next week, in consequence of Treasury drafts upon the national banks. This, however, is not well founded, so far as least as railway securities are concerned, for the national banks lend only upon governments, and the effect of a sharp withdrawal of funds from these institutions would disturb margins on national securities only, and could therefore affect but indirectly other securities, by the holders of one being holders of both. There is at the same time no probability of the Treasury drawing inconveniently close upon the national banks, as in order to keep the seven-thirty loan active at par the market price of the gold bonds must be protected, and an easy money market is necessary to this end, although the stock of governments held in the street is light. Moreover, the easier the monetory facilities at the great centres are, the more subscriptions to the popular loan are stimulated. We saw the effect of the opposite condition of things during the recent panic, when subscriptions to the loans were seriously affected at the same time that the funded securities were unduly depressed. So long as the government expenditure continues to exceed its revenue by two millions three hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars a day, as they have been doing for the last half year, and it only resort to meet the deficiency is a loan at par, no contraction of the currency can take place, and skilful nursing of the money market is required by the Treasury. The policy of negotiating par loans was a mistake in the beginning, but we have progressed too far in this course to be able to turn back now without leaving the public treasury empty, and inflicting general injury upon public stockholders, and therefore the only resource open to us is to make the best of it.

Securities are made freely at six per cent on call, with exceptions—negotiations on governments at five. Commercial paper of the first grade is quoted at 8 1/2 per cent; but the discount line is inactive.

A comparison of the prices of leading stocks at this morning's board with those quoted at the second board on the last day of June shows an advance in Erie of 2 1/2¢, New York Central 1 1/2¢, Reading 10 1/2¢, Michigan Southern 1/2¢, Illinois Central 1/2¢, Cleveland and Pittsburg 1/2¢, Fort Wayne 1/2¢, Northwest 1/2¢, Rock Island 1/2¢, Reading 1/2¢, Cumberland 1/2¢, E. & W. 1/2¢, and W. & L. 1/2¢.

The office of the Bureau of Internal Revenue has declared a dividend for the month of March of seventy-five dollars per share, in gold, payable through the Bank of Eastern stockholders, less exchange, by LEES & WALLER, New York, April 8, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—THE SPERRY SILVER-MINING COMPANY has declared a dividend of ten dollars (\$10) per share, in gold, payable to Eastern stockholders on and after this date, less exchange, by LEES & WALLER, New York, April 8, 1865.

FOR SALE—50 SHARES UNION PETROLEUM COMPANY, New York; stock paying twenty per cent monthly dividends, 100 shares of the company. Address, 145 Broadway, New York.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.—THE INTEREST ON Bonds of the city of New York, stock paying twenty per cent monthly dividends, 100 shares of the company. Address, 145 Broadway, New York.

WANTED—A HOUSE WITH MODERN IMPROVEMENTS between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, of an amount equal to \$10,000 to \$12,000, to be let for business purposes. Address, 145 Broadway, New York.

WANTED—BY A LADY, THREE ROOMS, UNPinished, located from Fourth to Ninth avenues, between Fourth and Seventeenth streets, for business purposes. Address, 145 Broadway, New York.

WANTED—APARTMENTS FOR HOUSEKEEPING in a good locality, either for the season or yearly. Rent of references and security given. Address, 145 Broadway, New York.

WANTED—BY A GENTLEMAN, WIFE AND ONE CHILD, a Second Floor, convenient for housekeeping in a respectable private family and good neighborhood. Rent references given. Address, 145 Broadway, New York.

WANTED—BY A PHYSICAL TWO ROOMS FIRST floor or second floor, convenient for the purpose of removing the stock at COATES' old stand, 814 Madison street, above Spring.

BARGAINS BARGAINS! BARGAINS! FOR THIS WEEK'S SALES THE FOLLOWING CHEAP GOODS FROM AUCTION.

BURACED AND UNBURACED MUSLIN 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

FAST COLOR PRINTS 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

SEPARATED STEEL DRAPELLE AND SEAL 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

PAPER MUSLIN all colors, 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

LEATHER CHINHAMMA, double fold 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

SLATE JEANS for drabs—linings 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

FEATHERED SHEETING 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

FABRIC DAMASK heavy, 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

104 BARBERSHOP DAMASK, heavy, 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

WHITE TAN JACKPINS 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

WHITE, YELLOW, AND SCARLET FLANNELS 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

BLEACHED CANTON FLANNELS wide, best goods, sold in January at \$1.00 a yard. Also, \$1.00.

CARRIAGE MUSLIN 1/2 yard, \$1.00; 1 yard, \$1.50; 2 yards, \$2.00; 3 yards, \$2.50.

64 ENGLISH SULTON CLOTHING at \$1 and \$1 1/2 per yard.

64 WATERPROOF CLOTHING at \$1 and \$1 1/2 per yard.

TICKIE, BLANKETS, QUILTS, LINENS, CRASHERS, CHECKERS, ETC. LAKE OF THE WINDS ARCADE, 275 BROADWAY, near Houston street.

BARGAINS, BARGAINS! BARGAINS! FROM THE ADOPTION SALES OF THE PAST WEEK, AT A REDUCTION OF 50 PER CENT.

PARISIAN COTTONS IN ONE WEIGHT, AT REDUCED PRICES. COTTONS AT THE OLD FARMERS.

LACE, MUSLIN, ETC. 1/2 yard, \$1.00.

BLEACHED AND UNBLEACHED MUSLIN, 1/2 yard, \$1.00.

WHITE PLINTH 1/2 yard, \$1.00.

PLAIN SWISS MUSLIN reduced.

PLAIN AND STRIPED NAINSOOKS reduced.

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STRIPED SWISS, reduced.

CHECK MUSLIN reduced.

PLAIN NAINSOOKS reduced.

PLAIN AND STRIPED NAINSOOKS reduced.